Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> St., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

News Media Information 202 / 418-0500 Internet: http://www.fcc.gov TTY: 1-888-835-5322

DA 05-3158

WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, *ET AL.*, PETITION FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION'S DECISION TO IMPLEMENT AN ALL-SERVICES AREA CODE OVERLAY IN THE 310 AREA CODE

## PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

**CC Docket No. 99-200** 

Released Date: December 8, 2005

Comment Date: December 23, 2005 Reply Comments Date: January 5, 2006

On November 22, 2005, The South Bay Cities Council of Governments, The Telephone Connection of Los Angeles, Inc., and The Telephone Connections Local Services, LLC, (Petitioners), filed a petition for emergency relief<sup>1</sup> with the Commission concerning the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) *Overlay Decision*.<sup>2</sup>

The Petition requests that the Commission issue an order directing the CPUC to stay implementation of the *Overlay Decision* that establishes an all-services area code overlay in the 310 area code, while the Commission reviews the CPUC's compliance with federal numbering rules and guidelines.<sup>3</sup> Petitioners also request that the Commission issue a declaratory ruling finding that the *Overlay Order* is not in compliance with the Commission's rules and decisions regarding implementation of area code overlay dialing patterns and directing the CPUC to adopt a different local dialing plan.<sup>4</sup> According to Petitioners, under the *Overlay Decision*, wireline callers making local calls must dial 1 + area code + phone number, when calling within the same area code, while wireless callers may dial the area code + phone number to make local calls.<sup>5</sup> Specifically, Petitioners request that the Commission direct the CPUC to implement 10-digit overlay dialing in the area currently served by the 310 numbering

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>South Bay Cities Council of Governments, *et al.*, Petition for Emergency Relief, filed November 22, 2005 (Petition).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Public Utilities Commission of the State of California, Opinion Granting Petition to Modify Decision 00-09-073, Decision 05-08-040 (rel. August 25, 2005) (*Overlay Decision*).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Petition at 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>*Id.* at 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>*Id. See also Overlay Decision* at 48-49.

plan area (NPA) to all carriers and customers, regardless of the technology used, with permissive 1+10-digit dialing.<sup>6</sup>

Pursuant to Sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments on or before **December 23, 2005**, and reply comments on or before **January 5, 2006**. All pleadings are to reference **CC Docket No. 99-200**. Comments may be filed <u>using</u> (1) the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), (2) the Federal Government's eRulemaking Portal, or (3) by filing paper copies.<sup>7</sup>

Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/">http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/</a> or the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>. Senerally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. If multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, however, commenters must transmit one electronic copy of the comments to each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:ecfs@fcc.gov">ecfs@fcc.gov</a>, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply. Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, commenters must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail).

The Commission's contractor will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002.

- -The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- -All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners.
- -Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building.
- -Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.
- -U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.
- -All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

 $<sup>^{6}</sup>Id$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (1998).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>Filers should follow the instructions provided on the Federal eRulemaking Portal website for submitting comments.

People with Disabilities: To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to <a href="fcc504@fcc.gov">fcc504@fcc.gov</a> or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty).

Pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, this proceeding will be conducted as a permit-but-disclose proceeding in which ex parte communications are permitted subject to disclosure. For further information, contact James Bachtell, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau at (202) 418-7400, TTY (202) 418-0484.